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A grape hyacinth blooms a lovely shade of blue.

## Early Women in Architecture Featured in Exhibit, Lecture

by Megan Young

During April, the exhibit Early Women of Architecture in Maryland will be on display in the Community Center. As part of the Greenbelt Museum's quarterly lecture series, a free talk will be presented on Victorine Du Pont Homsey (1900-1998), one of the women featured in the exhibit. The talk is scheduled for Thursday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 201 of the Community Center. Light refreshments will be served following the lecture.

Homsey and her husband Samuel founded their architectural practice in Wilmington, Del., in 1935. It was one of the first husband-and-wife architectural firms in the U.S. During WWII,

the family temporarily relocated to Washington, D.C., where Homsey worked with the Federal Housing Administration to design war worker housing. In collaboration with architect Eugene H. Klaber, she designed a number of educational and service buildings in Greenbelt. Soon after the war ended, the Homseys returned to their Delaware practice, but continued to have projects in Maryland, including some award winners. In 1967, Homsey followed in her husband's footsteps and was honored by obtaining Fellow status in the American Institute of Architects (AIA). She lived to

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## Two Greenbelters Join a New County Council Commission

by Nicole Williams

On March 21, the Prince George's County Council unanimously swore in the inaugural commissioners for the newly formed County Commission on Common Ownership Communities. The formation of this new commission is unique. There is only one other such commission in the nation, in Montgomery County.

The commission was created by the passage of legislation in 2015 by the county council to assist governing bodies, owners and members of homeowner associations, residential condominiums and cooperative housing corporations with education, training and alternative dispute resolution procedures in matters related to

common ownership communities. These types of communities comprise the majority of new residential construction in Prince George's County and it is estimated that approximately 33 percent of all residents within the county live in these types of communities.

In Greenbelt, there are a number of common ownership communities. Therefore, it should not come as a surprise that two Greenbelt residents, Nicole Williams and Aaron Marcavitch, were selected to serve as commissioners of this newly created commission.

Williams is a resident of  
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## City to Change Cherrywood Lane To a Green and Complete Street

by Kathleen Gallagher

The first half of the March 13 meeting of the Greenbelt City Council was given over to the previously reported recognition of the winners of the ACE Educator Awards and of Camille and Brian Butler in providing community education on health issues associated with carrying the sickle cell trait. During the second half, council moved on to a number of business items, including approval of a grant application for engineering design work on Cherrywood Lane, amendment of a development agreement for the North Core of Greenbelt Station, first reading of an ordinance to revise requirements for the filing of certain employee financial disclosure forms and a decision to support legislation introduced into the General Assembly.

### Cherrywood Lane

In 2014 the Low Impact Development Center received a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust on behalf of the city to develop a retrofit green street concept design for the reconstruction of Cherrywood Lane as a green and complete street. Plans were developed for three phases of the project, covering about a mile-

and-a-half of Cherrywood Lane from Greenbelt Road to Edmonston Road. Phase 1 runs from the CVS parking lot entrance on Cherrywood to just before the roundabout at Metro Drive.

At Mayor Emmett Jordan's request, Community Planner Jessica Bellah explained that a green and complete street manages stormwater runoff as a resource available to nearby trees and other vegetation via landscaping and reduced impervious surfaces. At the same time, it provides for safe access by pedestrians, cyclists, motorists and motorcyclists, functioning to serve the transportation needs of every individual in every situation. Bellah added that it builds to best practices in all situations.

Bellah said the city's planning staff recommend submitting a proposal for funding to continue to the next step of Phase 1, which is to develop engineered designs. The cost for completing these designs for Phase 1 was estimated at about \$320,000. Councilmember Rodney Roberts questioned why that figure was so high. Bellah said staff believes it was a conservative, high-end estimate and will likely come in lower.

Under the Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns Program of the Chesapeake Bay Trust, the city can start this work by applying for up to \$30,000. If the application is successful,

a Request for Proposals (RFP) would be issued to undertake the work.

Council unanimously supported pursuing the grant. Councilmember Judith Davis, who made the motion, added that the decision was a simple one, since council has talked about many aspects of this project before. The mayor commented that he was excited to see the project move forward and is hopeful that the money can be found to complete it.

"It's a transformational project since it's at an entryway to Greenbelt," Jordan added, "But the missing link has been not having the money."

Councilmember Leta Mach said she hoped getting the sidewalk in for access to the Metro station, which is badly needed, would be a priority.

### North Core Development Plan

Also on the agenda was an amendment to an existing development agreement between Renard Development and the city, which specifies the obligations of both parties and the conditions that will govern the development of the North Core of Greenbelt Station. One section of the agreement spells out for which of Renard's plans the city has been given approval authority.

Council voted to add to the list of items requiring its

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## Franklin Park Welcomes City Manager Nicole Ard

by Anne Wallace

Residents and community leaders of Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station welcomed new Greenbelt City Manager Nicole Ard at a meet-and-greet reception on Tuesday, March 21 at the Leasing Center.

Ard described her visits to a number of Greenbelt communities and her interest in understanding the priorities of those neighborhoods. Those priorities find expression in the annual city budget, which is why participation and voting in local matters is important.

Also there to speak with assembled neighbors were Denise Knight, director of Resident Services at Franklin Park, Rev. Kendra Smith, pastor of Rivers of Life Church, which holds regular services at Springhill Lake Elementary School and Greenbelt Police Officer Carlos Torres, the community liaison officer.

As Knight noted, nearly 2,900 families live in Franklin Park.



PHOTO COURTESY OF NICOLE ARD

Nicole Ard

Further, Greenbelt West makes up more than 40 percent of the total population of the City of Greenbelt. Together, these statistics speak volumes about the potential importance of civic engagement among residents.

The event was generously supported with contributions from Franklin Park, Beltway Plaza and the Franklin Park Community Pride Committee.



# Letters to the Editor

## Bus Stop Shelter

I passed the bus stop on Cherrywood Lane, just past the circle, and noticed six or seven people waiting at the bus stop in the rain. I believe this bus stop gets a lot of use. Couldn't the city build an open shelter so that the Greenbelt West residents wouldn't have to wait in the rain?

Martin Murray

## My First Dog Park

The first dog park that I ever went to was the Greenbelt dog park. My dad took me and our new puppy a few months ago. A new dog park location in Greenbelt would be good for the community, because it would be an easy way for more people to get to know each other. It would also make the city more hospitable to all different types of dogs, which is always a good thing. Having a new dog park located more centrally in Greenbelt would also improve use and access since it would be easier for many residents to get to than the present dog park. All in all, I think a new dog park is a great idea.

Joe Murray

## No Dog Park On Boxwood Parcel

This is a response to the article 'City Continues to Move Forward on Center City Dog Park Location' written by Kathleen Gallagher and published in the March 9 edition of the Greenbelt News Review.

According to Gallagher, at the March 6 worksession council identified three possible sites for a second dog park. One of

these sites is in the Boxwood Village neighborhood on a parcel of land located north of Crescent Road, west of Lastner Lane, south of Ivy Lane and east of Ridge Road. This parcel includes the wooded areas known as the Boxwood Preserve and the open areas maintained as open play areas, a playground and a basketball court. The proposed site for the park is the open play area between the Boxwood Preserve and Ivy Lane where the basketball court is now located.

The worksession was advertised in the March 2 edition of the News Review as a council worksession about Dog Park/Financial Interests Reports. A purpose for the meeting was not provided, leaving the impression that the worksession would relate to the existing dog park on Hanover Parkway, not the selection of a location for a new dog park.

According to city code the Boxwood Preserve is in the forest preserve program. According to the forest preserve guidelines, the provisions of the forest preserve program do not technically apply to the open areas; however, due to the significance of these open areas to residents of Boxwood Village, the forest preserve guidelines provide that the open areas be as diligently protected as the wooded areas in the forest preserve program.

If we accept that Greenbelt needs a second dog park, we contend it should be constructed in a location that minimizes conflicts. Important considerations are: impact on residences from noise, smells and lights (the lights at

the existing dog park on Hanover Parkway are on until 11 p.m.); protection of natural areas to avoid conflicts with wildlife and sensitive habitats; availability of readily accessible parking to avoid burdening existing neighborhoods; distance from traffic to ensure the safety of dogs and people; and the protection of existing recreational uses and open play areas.

If the dog park were to be constructed on the Boxwood parcel, it would be 50 feet from the closest home; disturb protected wildlife and sensitive habitats due to it being located adjacent to the Boxwood Preserve; put a burden on parking in the neighborhood; expose dogs and people to a lot of traffic (Ivy Lane is heavily traveled by cars and buses – Metro, University of Maryland and Greenbelt schools all have stops on Ivy Lane); require the removal of the existing basketball court, which is used by residents of Boxwood Village and Lakeside North apartments; and take from nearby residents access to limited open play areas.

The city can review processes used by other municipalities around the country. An excellent example is the process used by the Parks and Recreation Department of Ann Arbor, Michigan, which requires input from the public and the establishment of appropriate criteria.

We contend that if the city had used a similar process as the one used in Ann Arbor, it would have determined that the Boxwood parcel is not an appropriate location for a dog park.

Brian and Donna Almquist  
Greenbelt Advocates for Environmental and Social Justice

# 1984 and Other Single-Showing Movies Enrich Greenbelt Life

by Jennifer Moser Jurling

On April 4 at 8 p.m., the Old Greenbelt Theatre (OGT) will show the movie 1984, which is based on the George Orwell novel. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to organizations that support free speech. More than 180 independent theaters across the country are showing 1984 on April 4, a significant date within the story. As of March 21, the OGT is one of two participants in Maryland.

The OGT staff had considered making 1984 a free event. They decided to charge for admission (and donate a portion to charity) when people started calling to ask for tickets weeks in advance. Paid tickets allow the OGT to guarantee that patrons driving in from as far as Delaware will have a seat when they get here.

If tickets to this event were free, the OGT would have to pay the film's distributor a flat \$250 for the movie's licensing fee. Now with admissions charged, the OGT will pay \$250 or 35 percent of ticket proceeds, whichever is greater.

Other one-showing-only movie events often involve similar licensing fees, called "versus" pricing. Caitlin McGrath, the OGT's executive director, says that the average fee for a one-off showing is \$300 vs. 35 percent of ticket sales, while the distributor would charge \$350 for a free event. The additional \$50 isn't much, she says, and making them free

makes them accessible to a wider audience which is the theater's goal.

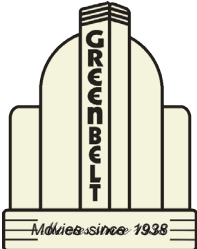
"We're doing more than a multiplex," McGrath said.

The theater has conducted patron surveys to select themes for series of single showings, including films noir, musicals and the current series of Leading Ladies. When the OGT offered free kids' movies on Thursday afternoons last summer, the series became one of its most popular events. "They come from all over," said office coordinator Carol MacAdam. She heard many patrons saying, "They don't do anything like this in my community!"

However, most single screenings draw small audiences with corresponding small proceeds, and on these evenings, the theater gives up a slot for showing the current new movie. The OGT is seeking sponsors to cover the costs of specialty series.

In February, Rebecca Hoop and her family sponsored a free Saturday-afternoon showing of The Boxtrolls as a fifth birthday party for their daughter. An ice storm had marred their daughter's third birthday and this year, they wanted a party venue they could walk to and they were "looking for something unique." With many kid and parent guests, buying movie tickets would get

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Fri. 2:30, 5:15, 7:45 PM  
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Tues. 5:15 PM  
Wed. 2:30, 5:15, 7:45 PM  
Thurs. 5:15, 7:45 PM  
Monday Matinee:  
THE PHILADELPHIA STORY (93 mins)  
Mon. 1:00 PM  
National Screening Day:  
1984 (R) (103 mins)  
Tues. 8:00 PM

## The Old Curmudgeon



"The 'Procrastinators Club' has postponed its meeting again!"

Cartoon originally published on April 18, 2002

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# Community Events

## GES Spring Fair

Greenbelt Elementary School’s PTA will be hosting this year’s Spring Fair and Yard Sale at the school on Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bring the whole family for a fun and free day of carnival games, bucket truck rides, craft activities and the second annual Greenbelt’s Got Talent show. Concessions and Scholastic books will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit classroom projects and programs.

Donations for the yard sale may be dropped off at GES from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. on Thursday, March 30 and Friday, March 31 or from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on the day of the sale.

## MakerSpace Events

It’s almost time for the Maker Festival.

Thursday, March 30: Coding Club from 7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, March 31: Open Projects

Saturday, April 1: Python Programming from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 2: Quilting 101 from 10 to noon, Animation Meetup from 2 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 4: Chess Club (for all ages) from 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5: Fiber Fans from 6 to 9 p.m.

Save the dates:

Membership Week: April 8 thru April 14 (Stop by and see what’s going on)

Maker Festival: Saturday, April 15

Next Repair Cafe: Saturday, April 22

Sign up for Spring Break and Summer Camps on the website ([make125.org](http://make125.org))

## Tea Party For a Cause

A tea party to benefit the House of Ruth will be held at the 6100 Westchester Park Drive Party Room on Sunday, May 7 at 1 p.m.

There will be sandwiches, desserts, a silent auction and door prizes and a guest speaker from the House of Ruth. Help bring an end to domestic violence.

All are welcome, but seating is limited. For further information or to reserve seats, call Kathy Miller at 240-447-8284 or Sherri Tibbs at 240-375-5550 by April 17. There is a fee.

## NDC’s Poetry Moment Salutes Bob Dylan

A reception featuring poetry, music and refreshments will be held Sunday, April 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the New Deal Café. This year the annual event salutes Bob Dylan, Nobel Prize winner in Literature. Geoff King, singer, songwriter and guitarist, will perform works by Dylan.

All are invited to read original or published poetry in English and other languages.

For more information, visit [newdealcafe.com/events/PoetryMoment.php](http://newdealcafe.com/events/PoetryMoment.php). Poetry Moment is sponsored by Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) and supported by the City of Greenbelt and a previous grant from Prince George’s County.



## Ice Cream Social With Retro-Rockets

The Greenbelt Recreation Department’s Senior Center is hosting its 19th annual ice cream social for senior citizens on Friday, March 31. This free program will begin at 1 p.m. in the Community Center gym where the Retro-Rockets will be providing musical entertainment from the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s and beyond.

The Retro-Rockets, an oldies-variety dance band, is all about making and bringing back memories from poodle skirts, drive-in movies and sock hops to disco and classic rock. The Retro-Rockets provide the best live music for dancing, singing along and just listening.

After the performance, make your own ice cream sundae beginning at 2:15 p.m. in the dining room. All seniors are encouraged to attend this delightful afternoon. For more information call the Community Center at 301-397-2208.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. A small donation is requested. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of April 3 are as follows:

Monday, April 3: Beef hot dog with chili, tater tots, mixed vegetables, wheat hot dog bun, mustard, fruit cocktail, apple juice.

Tuesday, April 4: Country captain chicken, brown rice, broccoli, rye bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Wednesday, April 5: Hamburger, lettuce and tomato, tater tots, warm cherry fruit treat, carrot raisin salad, wheat hamburger bun, mayo and ketchup, orange juice.

Thursday, April 6: Oven baked chicken, macaroni and cheese, Harvard beets, wheat roll, tropical fruit, grape juice.

Friday, April 7: 10-grain breaded pollock, black-eyed peas, okra and stewed tomatoes, cornbread muffin, tartar sauce, diced pears, orange juice.

## Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership.

## Types O and AB Blood Urgently Needed

The American Red Cross is issuing a call for platelet and type O-negative and AB blood donors to make an appointment to give after severe winter weather in some parts of the country caused about 250 Red Cross blood drives to cancel in March, resulting in more than 8,500 uncollected blood and platelet donations.

Platelets, type O-negative blood and type AB plasma are three of the most in-demand blood products by hospitals. Those who give can help patients locally or across the country as the Red Cross has the ability to move blood products where and when they are needed most.

“All blood types are needed to meet the constant need of patients, and there is a significant need now for platelet and type O-negative and AB donations to help some of the most vulnerable patients,” said Nick Gehrig, director of communications for Red Cross Blood Services. “We ask that you schedule an appointment to roll up a sleeve to help save a life in the coming days.”

Blood drives are scheduled at American Legion Post 136 on Monday, April 10 from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. and at Doctors Hospital, 8100 Good Luck Road, Lanham on Thursday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information or to make an appointment, go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-Give-Blood.

## Outdoor Stewardship At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, April 1, Outdoor Stewardship Volunteer Event: Join the Invasive Plant team as they monitor and repel the growing threat of invasive plants and insects in Greenbelt Park. Learn valuable information that not only helps the park but can help protect vulnerable species in the region. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 11 a.m.

Saturday, April 8, Potomac Watershed Cleanup: Join in the Alice Ferguson Foundation’s annual stewardship event as park volunteers help clean our area of the Potomac watershed. Wear clothes that can get dirty and sturdy boots. Gloves and bags are supplied. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 8:45 a.m. Rain date is Saturday, April 15.

Saturday, April 15, Volunteer Trail Crew: Join the Greenbelt volunteer corps to improve the park through stewardship projects. This is a great opportunity to get outdoors and pay it forward while working on a trail maintenance project. Meet at the Ranger Station at 8:45 a.m. (3 hours).

## Mother and Baby Wellness Fair

A free mother and baby wellness fair will be held on Wednesday, April 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Community Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane. The first 200 registered babies will receive free diapers, baby wipes and books. Babies must have been registered by Monday, March 20. Some of the topics covered in the fair are baby health information and resources, medication safety and free discount prescription cards.

Pre-registration is required. To register call Katherine Farzin, GAIL Public Health Intern at 240-542-2033 or email [kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov).

## Virginia Beauchamp Scholarship Fund

The University of Maryland’s network for women, the Campus Club, has begun a funding appeal to endow a graduate scholarship at the University of Maryland in honor of Dr. Virginia Walcott Beauchamp.

A resident of Greenbelt, Beauchamp served as editor, copy editor and reporter for the Greenbelt News Review from 1957 to 2016.

Friends and admirers of Beauchamp can make a tax-deductible contribution to the scholarship named for her by writing a check to the “University of Maryland College Park Foundation” with “Virginia W. Beauchamp Scholarship” in the memo line. The mailing address is 4603 Calvert Road, College Park, MD 20740. Online payment may be made at [go.umd.edu/vwbfund](http://go.umd.edu/vwbfund). Contact Chris Garcia at [Garcia@umd.edu](mailto:Garcia@umd.edu) for more information.

## Organic Family Band At Contra Dance

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is co-sponsoring another contra dance with the Folklore Society of Greater Washington on Saturday, April 1 (no fooling) at the Community Center gym. The dance begins at 7 p.m. and welcomes beginners as well as experienced dancers. Beginner lessons will start at 6:30 p.m. Perry Shaf-ran will be calling to the music of Organic Family Band with Jakob Raitzyk on fiddle and foot percussion, Rebekah Geller on fiddle, Michael Raitzyk on guitar and Judith Geller on French horn. There is a fee for those over 6.

Contra dance is fun, fun, fun. Basically, it is danced to live music which can have an array of instruments depending on the band. There is a caller who calls the dance by doing a “walk through” before each dance. Once you get the moves for the dance, the pattern just repeats itself. It’s easy. At the beginning of each evening dance, there is a 30-minute lesson to go over all the basic steps that will be called.

Come on out and enjoy this fun and social dance. Call 240-542-2054 for more information. There is a fee.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

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(TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR)

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Tribute – Apr 21 - May 13 – Directed by Gayle Negri  
She Speaks – June 1 - 17 – Guest Production from the Rude Mechanicals

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Nicole Williams is sworn in by Nicholas A. Majett, the chief administrative officer for Prince George's County.

Greenbriar Condominiums. As a real estate attorney, she specializes in issues related to condominium associations, homeowner associations and cooperatives. She previously served as a panel chair for the Montgomery County Commission on Common Ownership Communities. With over 10 years of experience in this area and the only attorney on the commission, she brings a legal perspective to the table that will be helpful in assisting the commission with its mission and goals.

Marcavitch is a member of the board of directors for Greenbelt Homes, Inc. and the executive director of Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc. He is the only commissioner who resides in a cooperative. While co-ops do not

comprise a large fraction of the residential housing in the county, their governance and ownership structure has stark differences from condominiums and homeowner associations. Therefore, Marcavitch will bring a unique perspective to the table.

The commission is in its infant stages and in the process of determining how it will operate in order to effectively serve the needs of residents in the county. The members of the commission will soon determine its meeting times and functions. Anyone interested in learning more about the county office of common ownership communities can visit [princegeorgescountymd.gov/921/Common-Ownership-Communities](http://princegeorgescountymd.gov/921/Common-Ownership-Communities).



White-throated sparrow at Buddy Attick Park

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Mishkan Torah Annual Stream Cleaning

All are welcome to Greenbelt's fourth annual Reverse Tashlich on Sunday, April 2, which is being held under the auspices of the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington's Sara & Samuel J. Lessans Good Deeds Day. The event is also being supported by the Alice Ferguson Foundation, members of the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group and Mishkan Torah Congregation's Social Action Committee.

Usually performed on Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year), tashlich refers to the Jewish custom of throwing crumbs into a body of water to symbolically rid oneself of bad habits. A modern spinoff of the traditional custom, a reverse tashlich offers us the opportunity to reverse the effects of some of our bad habits by cleaning up a local stream. This year trash will be removed around Still Creek near the Greenbelt Dog Park.

Participants should register in advance on [shalomdc.org/mishkantorahgdd2017](http://shalomdc.org/mishkantorahgdd2017). Registration is free and open to all. We will meet at 9:45 a.m. at Mishkan Torah, 10 Ridge Road, then caravan to the nearby site.

Please wear boots or sturdy shoes that can get muddy, long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and a hat to protect against ticks. (Participants should do a thorough tick check following the cleanup.) Bring work gloves if you have them. Trash bags and work gloves will also be available at the site.

At last year's Reverse Tashlich, 23 volunteers collected 24 bags of trash, 14 bags of recyclables, 9 tires and about 50 pounds of bulk trash. With your help, we hope to have even more volunteers – and remove even more trash – this year.

U.S. Botanic Garden Holds Special Tour

On Wednesday, April 5 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, join Dr. Ari Novy, executive director of the U.S. Botanic Garden, on an expedition through its collections. Novy will talk about his favorite plants, the history of the garden and the treasures contained within and outside the garden's walls.

This tour may go outside; dress accordingly. The tour meets in the Conservatory Garden Court. This program is free; pre-registration is required. To register, visit [USBG.gov/Programs](http://USBG.gov/Programs).

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approval a revised stormwater management plan from Renard that is necessary because the existing plan no longer reflects the layout proposed in the current Detailed Site Plan. Otherwise the agreement would be unchanged.

The amendment was approved on a 6 to 1 vote, with Roberts not supporting it. He said he shared reservations expressed by Councilmember Konrad Herling regarding a stipulation previously approved by council, that the developer would support the city's position against widening Route 201 unless that position impacted the development of the project or caused delays. The stipulation relates only to the position of the developer, not that of the city.

**Financial Disclosure**

Council also introduced an ordinance to revise the City Code related to requirements for filing financial disclosure forms. At the time the state extended some of its own requirements to municipalities, Greenbelt included staff members at a lower level of classification than was necessary to comply with the law.

The revisions being made would bring the city into greater alignment with other municipalities as well as limiting the number of employees that would be obligated to file personal information that could be made public. These forms are primarily intended for elected officials and candidates for office, for whom there would be no change in the requirements. First reading of this ordinance appeared on the agenda of the February 27 meeting, but clarifications were needed that required its return on the next agenda.

**State Legislation**

Council voted unanimously to support a bill introduced in the House of Delegates to require the State Highway Administration to provide at least two weeks' notice by U.S. mail to property owners within a 100-yard radius of a planned construction project. The Maryland Municipal League supported the bill with an amendment to require municipal notification, which was included as a condition of the city council's support.

Lions Club Holds White Canes Days in April

by Jordan Choper

The Greenbelt Lions Club has determined that since this April's calendar is somewhat unique, the schedule of White Cane Days collections will be slightly different than in the past. The usual pattern in the past was to have the collections on the second and third weekend in April. But many of our members will be otherwise occupied on those days because of various religious holidays. So this year the collections will be held on the weekend of April 7, 8 and 9, and on the weekend of April 28, 29 and 30.

All funds acquired from these collection dates are used to support the programs of the Wilmer Eye Clinic of The Johns Hopkins University and helps the Greenbelt Lions Club to supply precision eyeglasses to Greenbelt citizens who cannot afford to acquire proper eyeglasses to fit their eyes. Be generous when seeing our members raising funds to help those who are blind or have poor vision. For those who are not familiar with the Wilmer

Eye Clinic, they do basic research on surgical techniques to restore vision and develop new technology to help people with low vision capabilities, so that they can function better in their daily activities.

The Lions Club also collects used eyeglasses that no longer fit the vision requirements of their present owners. Those glasses can be placed in a box in Co-op located on the window sill near the main entrance, and in the lower lobby of the staircase of the Greenbelt Branch Library. Other collection boxes can be found in the main office of Greenbriar Condominiums and various other locations too numerous to list here. Recently, the Lions Community Outreach Foundation has expanded the eyeglasses recycling program to also include the collection of used hearing aids. Hearing aids can also be deposited in the boxes where glasses are collected.

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# Roosevelt Students Perform With Japanese Pop Star May J

by Matt Arbach

Japanese pop star and television host May J taped an episode of her show J Melo at Eleanor Roosevelt High School to an enthusiastic audience of foreign language and music students on Friday, March 24. In addition to seven studio albums, much of it original music, May J is widely known for her Japanese language version of the song Let It Go from the Disney film Frozen, which played with the film’s end credits in Japan. Her show, begun in 2008, is a staple on NHK, Japan’s public television network. J Melo covers the gamut of Japanese music and reaches 160 countries and territories. May J interviews the musical guests and frequently performs with them.

Eleanor Roosevelt was chosen, at the impetus of the Japanese Embassy, because of the strength of its Japanese language program. This is the first American high school to receive a visit from J Melo, in addition to being May J’s first visit to Washington, D.C., in conjunction with the Cherry Blossom Festival.

Eleanor Roosevelt and High Point were the first two schools to offer Japanese in Prince George’s County. The Roosevelt program is 34 years old and goes from a beginning level all the way to an AP course. In addition to language skills, the 160 students are introduced to Japanese culture and history. Trips to Japan are offered to all students and there is a cultural and scientific exchange program with three sister schools in Japan. Tetsuo Ogawa is the Japanese teacher at Roosevelt. This year his student teacher is Akane Miyazawa.

The program was an enjoyable mix of student interviews and choral music. May J spoke with students who were dressed as their favorite characters from Japanese pop culture. There was a presentation of Japanese calligraphy, a difficult skill to master. Students displayed Japanese festival dress as well. When asked their main interest in Japanese culture, many expressed the beauty of its traditions, both visually and aesthetically, and the fact that every aspect of Japanese culture is imbued with meaning, something often missing in the United States.



May J performed with students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School on March 24.

Two of the choirs performed a pair of dynamic spirituals, under the direction of Michele Fowlin. May J encouraged some of the singers to perform brief solos in Japanese and even was able to coax Fowlin to perform, much to the delight of her choir. A small group of students presented a rendition of Let It Go in Japanese in honor of May J. Near the close of the show, May J performed her rendition of Let It Go as the choirs and audience sang along.

The show concluded with a fun give-and-take as the audience and May J informed each other as to what best to eat in Japan and the United States, as well as an appearance by the cartoon mascot of NHK, Domo.

Audience appreciation was echoed in the favorable comments of seniors Benjamin Hung and Anne Lorraine-Santos, president and vice president of the Japanese Honor Society respectively. Hung said they felt that the experience equaled “the hype,” that had been beginning a few months before. Ogawa expressed gratitude to the Japanese embassy and NHK for “a wonderful event.”

May J was clearly impressed by the “energetic” devotion to and knowledge of Japanese culture displayed by the students. Show producer Nobuyuki Harada echoed this sentiment as well, remarking that he had never seen such knowledge outside of Japan.

A frequent question posed by May J was “What is your dream?” Roosevelt students were given the opportunity to meet someone who encouraged them to



May J

pursue their dreams in a wholesome and positive way.

The episode will be aired on April 16 and can be viewed on the following channels: Over the Air - Channel 22.4, Comcast - Channel 268 and Verizon Fios - Channel 480.



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Victorine Du Pont Homsey and Eugene Klaber were the architects of North End School. It was completed in 1945 and demolished in 1992.

the age of 97, leaving a legacy of inspiring work and words.

Starting on the afternoon of April 1, the exhibit will be on view along the first floor hallways of the Community Center. The Women in Architecture Committee of AIA’s Baltimore Chapter, in collaboration with the Baltimore Architecture Foundation, embarked on the project to assemble the stories of women pioneers in the profession. With research assistance from students at Morgan State University and a starter grant from the Maryland Humanities Council, they developed this travelling exhibit that showcases 12 extraordinary women. Many of the women practiced through the lean years of the Depression and World War II, designing buildings in Maryland and across the country, serving as a story of perseverance and determination.

Jillian Storms will present the April 20 lecture. She received the Baltimore Architecture Foundation’s Roger Redden Award in recognition of her work in both organizing the volunteer research effort and curating the Early Women of Architecture in Maryland exhibit. She has served as chair of AIA Baltimore’s Women in Architecture Committee, president of the Baltimore Architecture Foundation and co-chair of the Friends of Maryland Olmsted Parks and Landscapes’ Inventory and Research Committee. She has a master’s degree in architecture from the University of Oregon and a bachelor’s degree in urban studies and planning from Goucher College. Currently, she serves on the AIA Baltimore board of directors and is a school facilities architect for the Maryland State Department of Education.



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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, April 6, 2017

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1. GDC Open Session- Begins at 7:30 p.m.

Approve minutes: GDC Regular Session Meeting Held on 2/16/17

Review 2016 Year-end Financial Statements

2. GHI Open Session

(Immediately following GDC Meeting)

Approve Minutes: GHI Special Open Session Meeting Held on 3/2/2017

Approve Minutes: GHI Regular Open Session Meeting Held on 3/2/2017

Request for an Exception to GHI’s Rules to Install a Shed at 60-A Crescent Rd

Request for an Exception to GHI’s Rules to Install a Shed at 1-A Northway Rd

Review 2016 Year-end Financial Statements

Request the Buildings Committee to Recommend Replacement Schedules for Electrical Wiring in Masonry and Frame Homes and Water Supply Risers in Frame Homes

Finance Committee’s Recommendation re: Future Replacement of Doors not Replaced During the HIP

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# Obituaries

## Winifred Kemble Taylor



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### Winifred Kemble Taylor

Winifred “Winnie” Kemble Taylor, born January 10, 1942, in Long Branch, N.J., died on March 19, 2017, in Nampa, Idaho. Ms. Taylor spent most of her adult life in Prince George’s County where she married Ronald Taylor and had one son, Martin “Marty” Taylor. The marriage ended in divorce.

Ms. Taylor retired from the Maryland State Unemployment Agency around 2000. She had lived in Glenn Dale and Greenbelt, but moved to Idaho in 2011 to be close to and under the care of her son. She was well-known for her gentleness, thoughtfulness and sociability. She enjoyed getting together with family and friends and especially going to the beach. She loved flowers and the natural habitat and community that is uniquely Greenbelt.

Ms. Taylor was preceded in death by her parents, her brother David and one of her best friends, Linda Sellin. She is survived by her son, daughter-in-law, six grandchildren and another best friend MaryEllen McNamara.

## Mary Elizabeth Lowry

Mary Elizabeth Ressler Lowry, 104, was born in her grandparent’s house to Samuel and Gertrude Ressler in Wilkinsburg, Pa., on January 12, 1913, and died peacefully at home in Highlands Ranch, Colo., on February 27, 2017 with her son at her side. Mary graduated with honors from Wilkinsburg High School in 1931. She moved to the Washington, D.C., area in 1942, settling into Greenbelt where she lived until moving to College Park 11 years later. In 1943, Mary joined the U.S. Bureau of Mines, and the following year transferred to the U.S. Geological Survey where she remained until retirement in 1972. A naturally outgoing and generous person, she was active in 10 different civic and sororal organizations after retirement, most notably the Birmingham Chapter of the Eastern Star, where she served in all the chairs and ultimately became the Worthy Matron; and the College Park Women’s Club where she participated in various community projects. In 2007, she moved to Colorado to live with her son, James Lowry. There she enjoyed viewing the snow-capped peaks of the Rockies that she came to love so much. Mary made friends wherever she went, and would always have people coming up to chat with her when she entered a store or restaurant. She was much loved and will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her. She was preceded in death by her husband Harold John Lowry and her son Samuel Edward Steffen, and is survived by her son James E. Lowry, two grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, and hundreds of friends.

Interment is planned for later this spring in the Greenbelt Cemetery.

## History and Culture Of Ladino April 2

Mishkan Torah Synagogue will host a repeat program on the fascinating subject of Ladino, the Judeo-Spanish language of the Sephardim, the Jews of Spanish descent, by Dr. Adriana M. Brodsky on Sunday, April 2 from noon to 12:30 p.m. Brodsky is returning by popular demand after her lecture last May left the audience spellbound. She expects to talk about her recent book, Sephardi, Jewish, Argentine Community and National Identity 1880 to 1960, and other aspects of Ladino history and culture.

Brodsky is an associate professor of history at St. Mary’s College of Maryland where her specialties include Jewish history, Latin American history and gender studies.

Ladino has been the spoken and written Hispanic language of Jews of Spanish origin. Ladino was originally just the language of a Spanish province and was not considered a Jewish language until the expulsion of the Jews from Spain and Portugal in 1492. They continued to speak Ladino in the communities and countries to which they emigrated. As a result, the Ladino grammatical structure and vocabulary closely align with 14th and 15th century Spanish.

At the turn of the 20th century, Jews from North Africa and the Middle East were called Turcos (“Turks”), and they were seen as distinct from Ashkenazim, not even identified as Jews. Brodsky follows the history of Sephardim as they arrived in Argentina, created immigrant organizations, founded synagogues and cemeteries and built strong ties with coreligionists around the country.

Brodsky will bring copies of her book for purchase and signing following the lecture. The program promises to be an exciting, informative and intellectually stimulating one.

## Maundy Thursday At Mowatt Methodist

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church will hold a Maundy Thursday service April 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. Drawing on the images of Light, Water, Word and Table, it will take a pilgrimage through the last three days of Jesus’ earthly life, experiencing the faith story then and now. The church will begin with a simple meal and conclude remembering the baptism at the foot of the cross. Mowatt will be collecting canned goods for Help By Phone. Call 301-474-9410 for further details.



### Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



Condolences to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelt resident Roger “Buck” Hill who died March 20, 2017. Over the years, he lived both in Greenbelt Homes, Inc., and Greenbriar Condominiums. He began playing jazz saxophone professionally in 1943 but held a day job as a mailman for over 40 years. He was often found on stage at the New Deal Café.

We were saddened to learn of the death of Mary Elizabeth Lowry on February 27, 2017, in Colorado.

Sorry to hear of the death of Winifred Kemble Taylor, who died on March 19, 2017, in Idaho.

Share your news for the next Our Neighbors column by sending your news items to [editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com](mailto:editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com).

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[www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org](http://www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org)

Sunday Worship  
10:15 a.m.

Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff, Pastor

## Mishkan Torah Congregation



10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield

Friday evening services 8:00 PM, except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:30 PM

Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM.  
Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.

For further information call 301 474-4223 [www.mishkantorah.org](http://www.mishkantorah.org)  
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## Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt



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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.  
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April 2 10 a.m.  
"Hari Om"

The Rev. Evan Keely, Interim Minister and Gita's Dream ; with Mary Rooker, Worship Associate; and Carla Miller, Director of Multicultural Religious Exploration

Gita's Dream (a.k.a. Gita and Christopher Zember) will lead us in a session of kirtan, an ancient tradition of devotional chanting.

## Free Easter Egg Hunt!



Saturday, April 8th 2017  
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## Holy Cross Lutheran Church Community Easter Egg Hunt

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Easter Sunday Service  
April 16<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM

Greenbelt Baptist Church  
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Greenbelt, MD 20770





# City Information

### MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 3-7

Monday, April 3 at 8:00pm, **BUDGET WORK SESSION**  
**re: Overview, Revenues & General Government/Other Funds/Non-Departmental & Fund Transfers** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv).*

Tuesday, April 4 at 7:00pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Security Cameras*

Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Revised Plan- Detailed Site Plan (DSP) – Greenbelt Station North Core/Metro Parking Redevelopment*

Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30pm, **BUDGET WORK SESSION**  
**re: Misc., Museum/Grants & Contributions** at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane.

*Detailed agendas are posted on the calendar at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov). This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.*

### FREE MOTHER AND BABY WELLNESS FAIR



#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 from 10AM-1PM SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION CENTER 6101 CHERRYWOOD LN

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**Info: Katherine Farzon, 240-542-2033 or [kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov)**



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# Egg Hunt

**Saturday, April 15**  
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**@ 10:00am**

**Ages: 18 months – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

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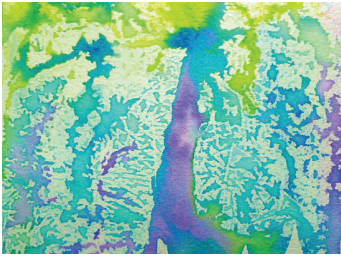
### CONTRA DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 1  
7-9:45pm, Beginner Lesson at 6:30pm  
Greenbelt Community Center Gym  
15 Crescent Road



\$10 cash at door; \$5 for ages 7-17; Free for 6 & under  
Come out to this fun event with Parry Shafran calling to the music of Organic Family (Jacob Raitzyk (fiddle/foot percussion), Rebekah Geller (fiddle) and Michael Raitzyk (guitar) and Judith Geller (French Horn))

### COMMUNITY ART DROP-IN SUNDAY, APRIL 2 from 1-3pm Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road



Artist in Residence Gina Denn will teach participants how to create stunning designs through a simple wax resist technique. The results are beautiful on their own and also make great additions to cards and scrap books. Wear clothes that can get messy! All materials will be provided. No reservations are needed. For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit [www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts) and follow Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.



### REGISTER NOW FOR UNDERWATER EGG HUNT

Friday, April 14  
10 AM - 1:15 PM  
Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center 101 Centerway  
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For registration information  
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### Bike to Work Day

Friday, May 19, 2017  
Greenbelt Pit Stop, Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center from 6:30am-8:30am

You are invited to join over 16,000 area commuters for a celebration of bicycling as a clean, fun and healthy way to get to work. Refreshments, swag bags and raffles will be given away for those registered and arriving by bicycle.

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Saturday, June 3rd from 10am-2pm  
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### VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizen Advisory Board and Youth Advisory Committee.  
**For information on how to apply contact 301-474-8000.**

### SPRING GED COURSES

Monday, Wednesday  
Course at Springhill Lake Clubhouse at 6101 Cherrywood Lane from April 3 to June 7th from 10am-12pm

Monday, Wednesday  
Course at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road from April 3-June 7 from 1pm-3pm

Registration is on the first day of class. Must be at least 16 and have withdrawn from school. FREE to Greenbelt residents with proof of residency. Non-Residents must pay \$175 for registration. All students are required to purchase GED textbook, calculator and test-taking materials from CARES for \$45.

Questions: Judy Hering  
301-345-6660 or  
[jhering@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:jhering@greenbeltmd.gov)

### FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION

Thursday, April 6  
2:30-3:30pm  
Springhill Lake  
Elementary School  
6060 Springhill Drive



**Attendees may enter the school at 2:15 pm. Please bring your rolling cart.**

### ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING

Saturday, April 8  
10am-12pm  
Buddy Attick Park  
555 Crescent Road

Show your support for Arbor Day by planting native trees and plants at Buddy Attick Park.

Participants should wear gloves, weather-appropriate clothes and shoes that can get dirty. Bring a reusable water bottle. Individuals and groups are welcome.

Students — bring your service-learning forms!

### TREE PLANTERS WANTED

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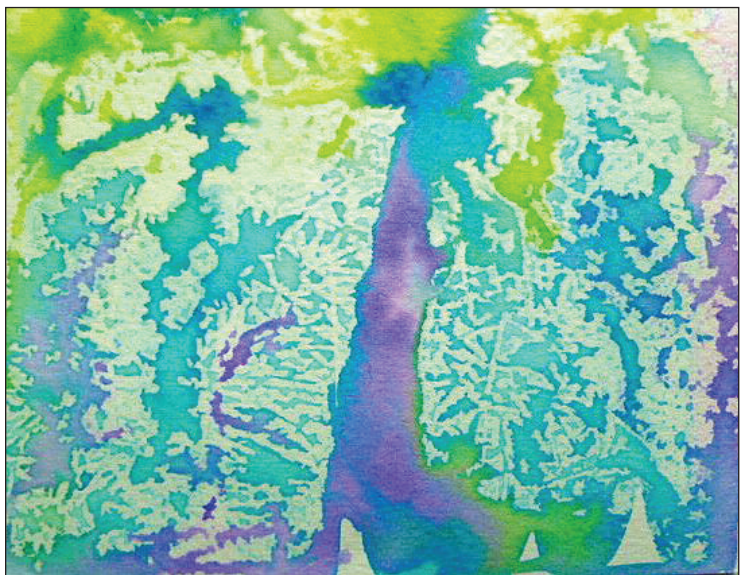


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**Wax resist technique will be taught at Sunday's art drop-in.**

## Arts Drop-in Workshop Sunday, April 2

The Greenbelt Recreation Department Arts Program invites guests of all ages to attend a free Community Art Drop-In workshop on Sunday, April 2 from 1 to 3 p.m. Artist-in-residence Gina Denn will teach participants how to create designs through a simple wax resist technique. The results are beautiful on their own and also make great additions to cards and scrap books. Wear clothes that can get messy. This program takes place in Room 113 of the Community Center. All materials will be provided. No reservations are needed.

For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit [greenbeltnmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltnmd.gov/arts) and follow Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

## Genealogical Society Meets April 5

Prince George's County Genealogical Society will meet on Wednesday, April 5 at 7 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway.

This month, Douglas McElrath, senior curator and manager of special collections at the UMD library, will talk about the UMD libraries, digital collections and more for genealogists. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit [pgcgs.org](http://pgcgs.org), call 301-262-2063 or like [facebook.com/pgcgenealogy](https://www.facebook.com/pgcgenealogy).



**City crews use a grinding machine to take out stumps of the Bradford pear trees that were cut down last November. The city plans to plant new trees this spring.**

## Co-op Hosts Local Authors Book Signing

Always interested in supporting the local community, we are thrilled to be selling books by local authors. To draw some attention to that, the Co-op is sponsoring a book signing event on Saturday, April 1 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Authors will be signing copies of their books and reading some passages. We will also have some nibbles from our bakery and will be sampling drinks from local vendors too. Local authors include Amy Hansen, Christine Doran, and Cassandra Hetzel. Photo of books is to the right.

## Herbs Exhibit At Montpelier

Rub the Oils and Strew the Powders: The Legacy of European Herbs in Early American Medicine and Cuisine, is an exhibit now open at the Montpelier Mansion through Monday, May 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day but Wednesdays.

On display are illustrations from 17th, 18th and 19th century “herbals,” instructional books on identifying and using herbs in medicine and cooking. The colors in these ancient prints are still vibrant, the lines graceful and elegant, and the shading almost 3-D in its effect. The images are copies from herbals in the Rare Book Division of the National Agricultural Library. There is a fee.

Related events in April include drop-in family time on Saturday, April 8 from 1 to 3 p.m., when families are invited to do hands-on activities and crafts to learn about the different uses of herbs. All ages are welcome; there is a fee.

Later that day, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The Friends of Montpelier Lecture will feature historian John-Peter Thompson speaking on the history of herbals from their beginning as collections of folk wisdom to their influence on modern medical sciences. This free lecture is only for adults. Then from 6 to 8 p.m., the Gifts and Spirits Series offers Color Me Sangria, focusing on some of the wonderful crafts and drinks that can be made using herbs. This event, for which there is a fee, is for those 21 or older only.

The Mansion is located at 9652 Muirkirk Road in Laurel (Muirkirk Road at Route 197). For further information, contact (301) 377-7817; TTY: (301) 699-2544 or [montpeliermansion@pgparks.com](mailto:montpeliermansion@pgparks.com).



**Some of the books available at the Co-op's local author event**

## Free Bach Cantata at UMD

The Bach cantata *Ich bin in mir vergnügt* (BWV 204) will be performed on Thursday, April 6 at 1:30 p.m. in the Grand Pavilion of The Clarice. Oregon Bach Festival artistic director Matthew Halls leads Bach's intimate cantata from the keyboard as part of his weeklong UMD School of Music residency. Featuring UMD choral activities alumna Amy Broad as soprano soloist, this underperformed secular cantata brings to life contemplative Christian Friedrich Hunold texts about inner contentment and serenity through varied instrumental combinations with voice.

## Dynamic Governance Speaker on April 1

Father Edwin John, a United Nations recognized leader for his work in organizing more than 100,000 “neighborhood parliaments” in southern India, will speak at the Community Center on Saturday, April 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. Sponsored by the Center for Dynamic Community Governance (CDCG), the event is free and no registration is necessary. Contact Aileen, CDCG co-director, at [aileen@dynamic-governance.org](mailto:aileen@dynamic-governance.org). Photo about the event is below.



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Snippets from the Past

Defense Corps Registration Renewed; “Spotters” Needed

by Phil Wexler

A new registration for all defense workers, new and old, has already begun. In effect, it is a house-to-house campaign initiated by Mrs. “Honey” Rogers (ably aided by numerous volunteers in each court and block) and will be completed in the near future. All residents interested in joining some defense activity are requested to please fill out the form and see that Mrs. Rogers receives it as soon as possible.

The registration will serve as a personnel file and help officers of the Corps to determine what classes are needed, where men and women should be placed in the various units, and for general information purposes. It is understood that women will be asked to join the defense organization on a much larger scale than in the past. Women will be trained in conjunction with men for all vital defense activities so that Greenbelt can look forward to adequate home protection during daylight raids as men are lost to the Army or are forced to work longer hours in their respective offices.

Apology to First Aiders

In last week’s column I reported that a new class in first aid had been started by Denzil Wood at the Fire House. Many folks came down only to be told that the class has been functioning for some time and that new members will have to wait till more classes are formed. My apologies to Denzil Wood and to those who did come down. All names of those who did appear have been submitted to Mrs. Lib Goldfaden, 6-T Ridge Road. People interested in joining either a beginners’ class or an advanced course in first aid are requested to contact Mrs. Goldfaden so that new classes may be formed in the very near future.

Girl Scouts and Girls

All girls, whether Girl Scouts or not, are asked to sign up with the Defense Corps to help in defense work. Many residents will have to attend defense meetings, during emergencies they will have to perform defense drills. Women who want to participate as donors to the Blood Bank but do not have anyone to mind their children – all pointing to a definite need for girls who are interested in doing their bit for home defense.

Aircraft Warning Station

Judge Thomas Freeman has asked me once again to place a call for volunteers for the Greenbelt Observation Post, set up by our American Legion Post under the direction of the War Department. This post operates on a 24-hour basis and reports all planes flying in this area to headquarters. Through the loyal efforts on the part of some citizens, this schedule has been maintained but more help is sorely needed to relieve the strain on the few who do partake in the responsibilities of this necessary defense function.

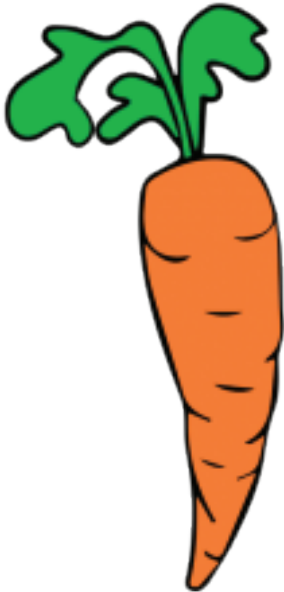
The Aircraft Warning Post is the modern example of the old-age principle that “some shall watch in turn, while others sleep” and sleep is more restful and peaceful when you know that someone is always on the alert for hostile aircraft. The job becomes less of a burden and less of a strain when we each share in turn on this Eternal Watch.

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Exploring PAD

The spring session of Explorations Unlimited opens on Friday, April 7 with Mr. Kenny Pasquale talking on Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD), what it is and what the signs are. Two medical assistants will be doing the PAD screenings using a Flow Check device. This test takes about 2 minutes. Goodie bags will be handed out to those who are screened.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday beginning at 1pm at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.



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expensive. Renting the theater for a private event would also be expensive, on top of the licensing fee for the movie.

Sponsoring a free public movie removed the rental fee and left only the flat licensing fee so tickets would be free. They could “invite whoever we want, and [it’s] a service to the community,” Hoop said.

“We couldn’t pick any Disney,” because of licensing restrictions, she said. After consulting with McGrath, they chose The Boxtrolls a family favorite they hadn’t seen on the big screen. With advance planning, the OGT had time to list The Boxtrolls as a free show in printed flyers.

Hoop prepared goody bags and created Boxtrolls-themed “tickets” for guests’ invitations. At concessions, guests could trade the tickets for a goody bag including temporary tattoos and a kids’ concession combo. Afterward, she paid the theater for the number of combos that were “sold.”

The theater displayed a “Happy Birthday” slide on the movie screen before the movie began

and attendees sang “Happy Birthday” to Hoop’s daughter.

“It was wonderful,” Hoop said.

The OGT is a non-profit, so donations to the theater are normally tax-deductible. However, sponsored showings of a patron-requested movie are not tax-deductible, because the patron receives a service in exchange for the payment.

Of being a sponsor, McGrath said, “You’re being a partner in making the community a better place: making [it] a more vibrant, interesting place to live.”

**Night on the Wild Side At Patuxent Refuge**

Experience the wild side of the wildlife refuge from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 20 at the National Wildlife Visitor Center at Patuxent Research Refuge.

Meet a live owl and other critters. Talk with wildlife scientists. Discover fun activities such as hiking, photography, fishing and more. Take a fascinating conservation tram ride. Enjoy great food, live music, beer and wine. A grand prize drawing and welcome will occur at 7 p.m.

RSVP by April 13 to wildside@friendsofpatuxent.org or call 301-497-5789.



“War is peace. Freedom is slavery. Ignorance is strength.”  
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See John Hurt in the film adaptation of George Orwell's classic dystopian novel, "1984". A portion of proceeds will go toward organizations that support free speech.

Tuesday  
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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

## DWI/DUI

March 17, 11:23 p.m. 6900 block Greenbelt Road. A 44-year-old nonresident was stopped as a result of a sobriety checkpoint and was charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges. He was released on citations pending trial.

March 17, 12:50 a.m. 6900 block Greenbelt Road. A 27-year-old nonresident was stopped as a result of a sobriety checkpoint and was charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges. He was released on citations pending trial.

March 17, 12:40 a.m. 6900 block Greenbelt Road. A 29-year-old nonresident was stopped as a result of a sobriety checkpoint and was charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges. He was released on citations pending trial.

## Vandalism

March 17, 4 p.m. 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. Two basement windows were broken out of an apartment building.

## Trespass

March 18, 2:19 a.m. 8000 block Greenbelt Station Parkway. A 50-year-old nonresident was found hiding in a closet of a house under construction. He was released on citation pending trial.

March 21, 2:35 p.m. 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 49-year-old resident was found on the property of Beltway Plaza after having been banned by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

## Burglary

March 20, 4 p.m. 6100 block Springhill Terrace. Someone forced open the front door of a residence and removed a cell phone and an iPod. Reporting of the incident was delayed.

March 16, 10:30 a.m. 7800 block Mandan Road. A residence was entered by forcing open the front door. A television and a sound bar were taken.

March 22, 4:38 p.m. 6900 block Hanover Parkway. A woman said her residence was entered possibly through a bedroom window. She noticed her 4-month-old female, grey and white mini schnauzer was missing. Someone saw the missing dog running outside. The driver of a tan, 4-door sedan, possibly a Toyota Corolla, pulled up and asked who owned the dog. He said he would take the dog to the Greenbelt Animal Shelter and took the dog; the dog

never arrived at the shelter. He is described as black, 25 to 30 years of age, 5'8" to 5'10" tall, 160 to 170 pounds with a medium build and short hair.

## Counterfeit Money

March 21, 9:35 a.m. 9200 block Springhill Lane. Someone tried to use counterfeit money to pay for merchandise at the Springhill Lake Mini Mart. The person got the money from an ATM and was not aware it was counterfeit.

## Theft

March 21, 12:08 a.m. 9100 block Springhill Lane. A parcel package was taken from the stoop of a residence on March 8.

## Assault

March 17, 10:30 p.m. 7200 block Hanover Drive. A patron inside the Willy K's Bar and Restaurant was struck with a bottle. The victim was transported to Doctor's Community Hospital for treatment.

## Automotive Crime

On March 16 in 7700 block Hanover Parkway, a black 2014 Lincoln MKX, 4-door, Md. tag 3BY2924 was stolen.

A rental car, a 2016 Hyundai Sonata, reported stolen by Arlington County police, was recovered on March 16 in 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. The renter was a 30-year-old resident who was found to have an open arrest warrant related to the vehicle. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for service of the warrant.

There were three incidents of vandalism and two thefts from vehicles reported. On March 15 in 8000 block Mandan Road, a man observed a woman approach two vehicles, slash a tire on each one and flee the scene. On March 17 in 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, the driver's side window was broken out and an in-dash stereo system was removed, which damaged the dashboard in the process. On March 18, a man finished playing basketball at the Greenbelt Youth Center at 99 Centerway when one of the other players harassed him. As the man got into his vehicle, the other man threw a rock shattering the rear passenger window.

Front and rear tires were taken from a vehicle, 6100 Breezewood Court, Md. tag 5BY9658; and a rear tag, 9100 block Edmonston Road, Md. tag 3CS2253. Four tires and rims were taken, 6400 block Ivy Lane.

## Climate Action Update

The April meeting of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network will be on Wednesday, April 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 114 of the Community Center. On the program for this meeting will be the details of the good news from Annapolis on passage of the fracking ban, which Governor Hogan has promised to sign into law. Since the legislative session will end on April 10, there will also be a legislative progress report on other fronts of importance to the membership including: EmPower MD, foam ban, compost infrastructure, healthy soils, RPS revisions and energy storage.

Last month's topic of Transition Towns informs this month's discussion of whether Greenbelt now has the organizational markers of a true Transition Town -- does the city have what it takes?

Last October the group talked about what climate mobilization looks like. Now, six months post-election, are Greenbelters more aware of why it's needed and what it actually means in the context of the group's meetings and the town?

There will be a brief update and evaluation of the "Reaching Out to Black Churches" project. Time permitting, there will be a short discussion on the policy of including children at meetings and do some brainstorming for the May 13 and 14 GCAN table at the Green Man Festival.

The last portion of the evening will be used for announcements and updates on local and national issues. For more information, contact Lore Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network, [lore@simplicity-matters.org](mailto:lore@simplicity-matters.org) or 301-345-2234 or [facebook.com/pg/chearsorg/events/](https://facebook.com/pg/chearsorg/events/).

## At the Library

**Crazy 8s! Season 4**  
Tuesday, April 4, 4:30 p.m., for grades 3 to 5, limit 15 children. Every week Crazy 8ers will engage in activities where they may race across the country, make music with their hands and feet or train to be a firefighter -- all while bonding with new friends over math.

**With Pen in Hand**  
Monday, April 3, 2017, 7 p.m. novice to experienced writers are welcome to find their creative voice through writing. Share ideas, be inspired and participate in group critiques. All genres welcome.

**Lecture Series**  
Tuesday, April 4, 7 p.m. "Afro-Latinos: The Hidden Legacy" will be the next session of the Spring season in this audio-visual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, historian of the African Diaspora. Other sessions will be presented during the spring on Tuesday evenings through May 2.

## At the New Deal

Tuesday, April 4, the New Old Jamboree hosts Ruthie and the Wranglers from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5, the Gliders from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Soulfully sung, harmonica-driven Americana.

Thursday, April 6, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft, from noon to 2 p.m. Songwriters' Association of Washington open mic with Paige Powell from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, April 7, Jeffrey Greenberg from noon to 2 p.m. Piano jazz. John Guernsey from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Jazz and blues piano. 49 Cent Dress from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 8, Marshall Eddie Conway, A Baltimore Black Panther: book reading and signing from 3 to 5 p.m. Guernsey from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Jazz and blues piano. City Bus from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Blues and rock with guitar and vocals by Cheryl Poirier.

## Where is GHI Going?

On May 11 & 12, GHI members will vote for  
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*This year, there are open positions on all 3 bodies.*

If you have questions about GHI elections or leadership, **now** is the time to ask!

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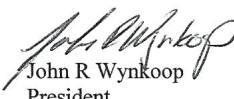
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I **emphasize strongly** that you **do not accept any solicitations over the telephone or at your door** from any person identifying themselves as members and/or representatives of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. **We only ask for donations through the mail for the General Fund Drive.**

Again, I would like to thank you for your very important past, as well as your continued support during our General Fund Drive.

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A red tulip and a fragrant hyacinth are paired with their greenery.



PHOTO BY GLORIA BROWN

Male and female mallards check out the completion of the excavation of the forebay at the Lake.



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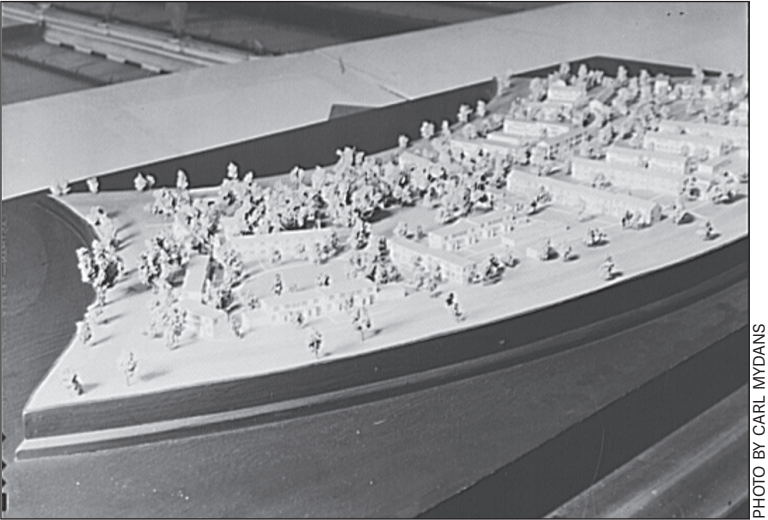
Greenbelt History in Photos

Home Construction Begins

by James Giese



Early construction of a foundation for a home in Greenbelt



Model of D Block with Ridge Road

*This is the 16th in a series of articles with photos depicting the early history of Greenbelt.*

Most of the housing was planned to be constructed within five superblocks, which were labeled A to E. Building construction first began on D block which is bordered by Crescent Road, Gardenway, Ridge Road and Eastway. I have not seen an explanation as to why construction began there. However, aerial photos show an existing gravel road adjacent and parallel to Ridge Road that could have been used to bring men and equipment in prior to construction of city streets. Mark Hanyok tells me that the road, called Oldham Farm Road or in some deeds Meeting House Road, ran from Glenn Dale Road to the portion of Ridge Road that ran from Edmonston Road to the water tower near Lastner Lane.

This is a model of D block with Ridge Road in the front, Crescent Road in back and Gardenway on the left. According to photographs taken at the time, construction of homes first began at 33 Court Ridge, N to V and 35 Court Ridge, A to E. They are the first and second of the five row houses perpendicular to Ridge Road at the right of the model.

Harry Falls and Gordon Kerr built numerous models of parts of the Greenbelt project. “We

would build the sheets of cardboard one on top of another to create a three-dimensional map,” Falls recalled. “Then we would make the buildings out of wood and cardboard. We made trees by twisting a number of strands of wire together to form the trunk and branches.” He also said that painted sponge was used for shrubbery.

Construction began during the winter of 1935-36, while plans for much of the town were still being prepared. Land was cleared, graded and the foundations for the first row houses were dug and framed for pouring concrete, but not without problems as heavy rains, snow and freezing temperatures hampered construction.

This picture is of a neatly dug and partially framed foundation for the 33 Court Ridge, N to V row home, I believe. The photo is untitled and date unspecific, but was probably taken before bad weather set in.

(Some information for this article was taken from Greenbelt: History of a New Town, 1937-1987, Chapter 2, Constructing the New Town by Leta Mach. Mark Hanyok also provided information and assistance in finding photos. Photos are from the Library of Congress photo files, available online at [loc.gov/pictures](http://loc.gov/pictures)).

**Weight Loss Lecture**  
Doctors Community Hospital will present a lecture on weight loss and bariatric surgery on Monday, April 3 from 9 to 10 a.m. The meeting will be held at 8100 Good Luck Road, North Building, 5th Floor, Lanham. The lecture is free but registration is required by calling 301-324-4968 or 240-965-4405.

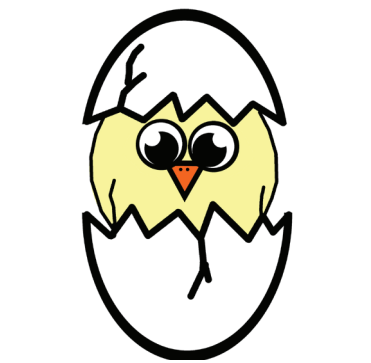
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Flying Solo reflects a creative exploration of aircraft, offering new perspectives on the details of planes, through the medium of fiber. Cole’s work delves into fuselage details, such as rivets and stitching, as well as material types, including metal, wood and fabric, revealing a fresh viewpoint of the museum’s collection.  
Call 301-864-6029; TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.

**Weekly Q&A**  
Al-Huda will be offering weekly question and answer sessions on Islam at the College Park Community Center during March and April, except for April 1. No reservations or fee required. For more information call 301-982-9463 or 301-982-2402 or write to [aboutislam@darussalaam.org](mailto:aboutislam@darussalaam.org).



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Apply online at [greenbeltnmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltnmd.gov/arts) after scheduling a studio tour by April 7. For assistance, contact Nicole DeWald at [ndewald@greenbeltnmd.gov](mailto:ndewald@greenbeltnmd.gov) or call 301-397-2208.

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# Buck Hill, Saxophonist, ‘Local Legend,’ Dies at 90

by Matt Schudel



Buck Hill playing clarinet in 2011

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Buck Hill, a renowned saxophonist and mainstay of the Washington jazz scene for more than 60 years and who was known as the “Wailing Mailman” for his day job with the U.S. Postal Service, died March 20 at his home in Greenbelt. He was 90.

A daughter, Robin Hill, confirmed the death and said her father had been treated in recent years for heart and prostate ailments.

Mr. Hill was a native Washingtonian who never left his home town, despite having the talent and offers to make a bigger splash. He began performing in the 1940s, when the clubs and theaters along the District’s U Street corridor were known as the “Black Broadway.”

Long considered Washington’s premier tenor saxophonist, Mr. Hill shared the stage with jazz royalty such as Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis and Max Roach. Whenever saxophonist Sonny Stitt came to

Washington, he sought out Mr. Hill for friendly “cutting sessions,” or tests of a musician’s improvisational skill.

Mr. Hill was known for a round, robust tone on his primary instrument, tenor saxophone. (He occasionally played the clarinet and soprano saxophone.) He also composed many tunes, some of which appeared on the dozen or so albums he recorded from 1978 to 2006. Critics discovering him for the first time often considered him a hidden star.

“One of the jazz world’s many local legends,” a reviewer wrote for Toronto’s Globe and Mail in 1981, “he is a Washington mailman by day, so it’s tempting to suggest that Hill really delivers the goods, that he puts his stamp on everything he plays, and perhaps even that his arrival is overdue.”

“What’s better, it’s all true. He’s a terrific player.”

Mr. Hill was reputedly offered jobs in bands led by Gillespie and Davis, and he performed in Europe with Washington singer Shirley Horn, but he preferred to stay close to home.

“Buck did not like to travel,” Nasar Abadey, a drummer who worked with Mr. Hill for more than 30 years, said in an interview. “He did not like a lot of attention. He just wanted to plant his feet and play the music.”

Mr. Hill often showed up for work at the post office at 4 a.m. to practice his saxophone before sorting and delivering the mail. He retired in 1998 after more

than 40 years with the Postal Service. He also drove a cab for many years.

On nights and weekends, Mr. Hill could be found in the city’s leading jazz clubs, from the Showboat Lounge in the 1950s to Blues Alley, Harold’s Rogue & Jar, One Step Down, Pigfoot and – on a revived 21st-century U Street NW – Twins Jazz.

“For some reason Buck has always decided to stay,” drummer Billy Hart, a Washington native, told The Washington Post in 1980. “When I was back in town with Stan Getz a few years ago, I went to see Buck. By this time I assumed I would hear the flaws in his playing that I hadn’t heard when I was a kid. But I heard him play and he was greater than I even remembered, and I was playing with one of the greatest saxophonists. It’s a mysterious thing, but Buck is a true creative genius.”

Roger Wendell Hill was born February 13, 1927, in Washington. His father was a bookbinder at the Government Printing Office.

As a child, Mr. Hill admired the space-age comic-strip hero Buck Rogers – “and when your first name is Roger ...,” he once told The Post, explaining the origin of his nickname.

He began to play the soprano saxophone at 13, then took up the clarinet and the larger tenor saxophone. By the time he was 15, he was playing at such U Street clubs as the Bohemian Caverns and Republic Gardens. He graduated from the District’s old Armstrong High School –the alma mater of pianist and jazz bandleader Duke Ellington.

After World War II, Mr. Hill played in Army bands before returning to Washington.

“I felt if I went to New York, I could play,” he told The Post in 1980. “But I didn’t see how I could do that with a family. I had children to support.”

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Helen Weaver Hill of Greenbelt; two daughters, Deborah Campbell of Alexandria, Va., and Robin Hill of Washington; a stepson, Stephen Walker of Laurel, Md.; two granddaughters; and two great-grandsons.

Mr. Hill’s most recent recording, Relax, featuring jazz standards and four of his own compositions, appeared in 2006. He continued to perform in clubs and restaurants well into his 80s.

“Music is captivating, compelling,” he told The Post in 2000. “After a while, you just have to do it, and you can’t stop.”



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